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Useful for new and experienced practitioners alike, this guide provides a comprehensive introduction and overview of play therapy including, theory and technique, special populations, nontraditional settings, professional and contemporary issues. Edited by the founders of the field, each chapter is written by well-known and respected academics and practitioners in each topic area and includes research, assessment, strategies, and clinical application. This guide covers all areas required for credentialing from the Association for Play Therapy, making it uniquely qualified as the one resource for certification preparation.

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*Handbook of Play Therapy, Second Edition* explores:

- The core theories and techniques of play therapy
- How to apply play therapy to special populations and in nontraditional settings
- The history and emerging issues in the field
- The research and evidence base, clinical applications, and more

Covering everything you'll encounter as a professional in this growing field, *Handbook of Play Therapy, Second Edition* is indispensable reading for psychologists, counselors, marriage and family therapists, social workers, and psychiatric nurses.

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